



COMPETITION MANAGERS County Durham



Competition Newsletter Issue 1

County Durham Secondary Table Tennis Final - 7th December, 2009

County Durham's best ping pong players descended on Bishop Auckland for the first annual County Schools Table Tennis Final. Both girls and boys school teams made up of 4 pupils, competed in two age categories Under 13's and Under 16's battling it out to be crowned overall champion, thus gaining a place at the regional finals on 24th January. An action packed competition saw some hard fought games in every category, all pupils enjoyed the experience and it was a great opportunity for so many young people to get involved in the sport. For many teams it was their first experience of competitive play but they all performed well on the day. The hall at Bishop Barrington was a hive of activity with games taking place on 12 separate tables all afternoon.

Under 13 Boys Winner: Easington Community Science College

Under 13 Girls Winner: St. Leonards Catholic School

Under 16 Boys Winner: Stanley School of Technology

Under 16 Girls Winner: Greenfield School



County Durham Junior Indoor Rowing Final - 8th December 2009

On Tuesday 8 December 2009, Team Durham, in partnership with the County Durham Competition Managers and British Rowing, hosted the inaugural County Durham Junior Indoor Rowing Final.

110 pupils from several schools across County Durham had taken part in intra- and inter-school competitions from J12 (Year 7) through to J18 (Years 12 & 13) age groups. The best athletes from each age group in each area (Durham City, Sedgefield, Easington and Chester-le-Street) were invited to participate in the event at Durham University's Maiden Castle to compete on Concept 2 rowing machines all wired up to a live projection for all to view.

It provided the chance for some of the top young rowers to post their best times of the year, and for others new to the sport the opportunity to simply improve their technique in a

competition with others. Four rowers from each age group/category will now represent County Durham at a Regional Final on 2 March 2010 where they will compete against their rivals from Northumberland, Tyne & Wear and Tees Valley.

It is hoped that the top performers at this regional final will be keen to represent the region at the National Junior Indoor Rowing Championships at the London Youth Rowing Centre on 16 March.

Winners:

J12 Year 7 Boys - Matthew O'Donnell (St. Leonard's)

J12 Year 7 Girls - Charlotte Siddoway (St. Leonard's)

J13 Year 8 Boys - Josh Maslin (Wellfield)

J13 Year 8 Girls - Hayley Scarr (Wellfield)

J14 Year 9 Boys - Isaac McNally (St. Leonard's)

J14 Year 9 Girls - Chloe Surtees (Hermitage)

J15 Year 10 Boys - Michael White (Durham School)

J15 Year 10 Girls - Alice Lindsay (St. Leonard's)

J16 Year 11 Boys - Marcus McQuillan (Durham Johnston)

J16 Year 11 Girls - Eleanne Hussey (St. Leonard's)

J18 Year 12/13 Boys - Dan Pearson (Durham School)

J18 Year 12/13 Girls - Nicole Lamb (Durham School)



U16's County Basketball Final - 11th December, 2009

This year it was fantastic to see such a talented bunch of basketball players compete to be crowned County Champion. The games throughout were hotly contested and the play on show was superb. Baskets flew in from all angles and the result was very close by the final game. Congratulations to all the teams who won their SSP finals and made it to the County Final and we wish the winning team from Woodham Technology College all the best in the

Regional Final. A big thank you to Peterlee Leisure Centre for hosting the event, Easington SSP, Durham Wildcats and East Durham College for providing referees/scorers on the day.



Aviva Sportshall Primary County Durham Final - 12th January, 2010

On Tuesday 12th January 2010, the County Durham Competition Managers hosted the Aviva Sportshall Primary County Durham Final at the Louisa Centre, Stanley.

Twelve teams of Year 5 & 6 pupils from several schools across County Durham had previously taken part in competitions in their School Sport Partnerships to qualify. Teams of athletes from the best schools in each area - Chester-le-Street, Derwentside, Durham City, Easington, Sedgefield and Wear Valley & Teesdale - were then invited to participate in the event which was a welcome break indoors after the recent weather (one school even had to dig their bus out of the snow to get there!)

The event, run by the Sportshall Team on behalf of UK Athletics and supported by Eveque, provided many of the children their first ever competitive athletic experience. The final results were as follows:

Winners: Blue Coat C of E School (Durham City SSP)

Runners Up: St. Margaret's C of E Primary School (Durham City SSP)

Third Place: Pelton Community Primary School (Chester-le-Street SSP)

Fourth Place: Green Lane C of E Primary School (Wear Valley & Teesdale SSP)



Aviva Sportshall Secondary County Durham Final - 19th January, 2010

On Tuesday 19th January 2010, the County Durham Competition Managers hosted the Aviva Sportshall Secondary County Durham Final at the Louisa Centre, Stanley. Ten schools represented their School Sport Partnerships (Chester-le-Street, Derwentside, Durham City, Sedgefield and Wear Valley & Teesdale) in the following categories: Year 7 Boys, Year 7 Girls, Year 8 Boys and Year 8 Girls.

The event, run by the Sportshall Team on behalf of UK Athletics and supported by Eveque, provided some of the children their first ever competitive athletic experience and others a return to this enjoyable team -based event. All were following in the footsteps of previous sportshall winners such as Mark Lewis-Francis, Kelly Sotherton, Denise Lewis, Jade Johnson and Martyn Rooney. It just shows that this competition really can be a stepping stone for our young athletes to achieve their dreams!

The final results were as follows:

Year 7 Boys

Winners: Park View (representing Chester-le-Street SSP)

Runners Up: Belmont (representing Durham City SSP)

Year 7 Girls

Winners: Belmont (representing Durham City SSP)

Runners Up: St. John's (representing Wear Valley & Teesdale SSP)

Year 8 Boys

Winners: Park View (representing Chester-le-Street SSP)

Runners Up: Ferryhill (representing Sedgefield SSP)

Year 8 Girls

Winners: Park View (representing Chester-le-Street SSP)

Runners Up: St. John's (representing Wear Valley & Teesdale SSP)

Both the Winners and Runners up in the Year 8 categories will now represent County Durham at the North East Region Secondary Sportshall Final being hosted for the first time this year in County Durham at the Louisa Centre, Stanley on 24th February, 2010 from 1.30-3.30pm. Good luck to those teams and let's hope we see some of the Year 7 Teams back again next year!



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